THE WIND REPORT

August 11, 2014

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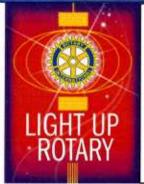
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ROTARY DISTRICT 5160, CLUB NO. 30335



San Ramon Valley Rotary Club, Danville, CA, USA

Meeting Time: Wednesdays 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., Blackhawk Country Club, 599 Blackhawk Club Dr., Danville www.sanramonvalleyrotary.com

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FEATURED ARTICLE:

The Importance of Growing Rotary

From Membership Chair: James Frazier

As August is Rotary Membership Month, I asked James Frazier, our Membership Chair, to share again with us highlights of his speech at our last meeting on August 4, 2014:

Recruiting new members is a critical responsibility for all Rotarians. The formulation of new ideas, increased financial contribution and impactful community service is what makes recruiting an activity that is beneficial to all concerned. The greatest commodity we have as Rotarians is not solely the dollars we contribute; it is the time/hours we spend serving our communities. More often than not, the service we provide is born on the backs of Rotarians who value others above self. Frankly, we need stronger backs and additional support because our work is never done.....there is always a need.

The membership mantra for 2014-2015 can be summed up in a simple statement: "The greatest contribution any member can make to Rotary is to sponsor a new member who is committed to a lifetime of service."

Actions Steps:

- ✓ Invite one potential member per month. Goal is to have each member bring at least one guest per quarter to our club dinner.
- ✓ Go out of your way to personally speak to every visitor, thanking them for taking the time to visit with us.
- ✓ We will have 3-4 sponsored memberships this year. If you know of any individuals who display our values but lack the financial resources to connect, please let me know.
- ✓ As you enjoy the club meetings and community programs, spread the news to your family friends and associates. Invite! Invite! And invite them to join in this great experience!

Birthdays This Month:

Bob Schumacher, 8/2 Nish Gokli, 8/5 Dede Clarke 8/8 Sandy Merlot 8/10 Debbie Weiss 8/13 Lynn Eager, 8/18 Linda Murphy 8/18 Ana Castro 8/19 Svitlana McGuire 8/25 Jack Bailey 8/28 Dan Geraldi 8/30 Brian Roth 8/31 Jessica Braverman 8/31

Anniversaries This Month:

Larry Blair 8/14

Upcoming Greeters:

Jessica Braverman, 8/6 Rita Smith, 8/13 Sharon Mace, 8/20 Dan Geraldi, 8/27

TO ALL OUR RED BADGERS! To get your blue badge, you need to be a greeter at one of our meetings. It is your responsibility to sign up and pick a slot. Any questions, feel free to contact Rita Smith.

"People call those imperfections, but no, that's the good stuff." – Robin Williams (Good Will Hunting) RIP Robin

HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST WEEK'S MEETING

We had a very special meeting on August 4, 2014.

Our Greeter was **Tom Eager.** Thank you Tom! Our Secret Rotarian was **Rekesh Bharadwaj**. Our Secret Greeter was **Tim Alman**. Thank you Rekesh and Tim!! And the "random act of recognition" went to our own **Matt Wilson** who gave of his time, energy and talent to design a plan for the rehabilitation of the Highway 680/Diablo Road exit. Thank you so much Matt!!

Guests Who Visited: Guests with us on August 4th were: Neville Guard's brother-in-law up from Southern California; Matt Wilson's guest, Katie, who owns a window cleaning franchise and would make a great Rotarian; Jesse McGuire's two daughters came to hang out with us while paying their dad a visit – all the way from Italy; Elaine Betts from the Danville/Sycamore Club; Tom Eager's guest, Jake Billingsley; and we had three beautiful young women from the Interact Club at Berean Christian High School: Barbie Bailey, and her friends Alyse and Deanna. Welcome Guests!!! NOTE TO OUR MEMBERS! If you are bringing a guest to a meeting, please e-mail James Frazier (jfrazier@calmtg.com), our Director of Membership, the name of your guest, their profession or place of business and your name.

<u>Our Speaker on August 4th:</u> Not only did we get to hear a great speech from our Membership Chair, **James Frazier**, but we were blessed to receive an awesome presentation from our very own **Laura Day**, who showed us how to invite new Rotary members and retain the ones we already have. Thank you James and Laura!!!

A very special part of our meeting was the Club's recognition of Interact member, Barbie Bailey, who was given a certificate of appreciation for her great work with her club at Berean Christian High School, and most importantly, she received the **Bill Gregory Scholarship Award** and a check for \$2,000.00 to help her way through college. Congratulations to Barbie!!



Our Speaker, Laura Day



Barbie Bailey and Greg Wilson



The Bill Gregory Scholarship Award to Barbie Bailey



Jesse McGuire and his two beautiful daughters.



Greg Wilson, Lynn Eager, Jessica Braverman and our wonderful Interacters!!

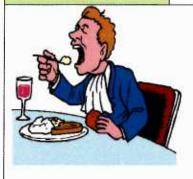
Want to submit an announcement for our newsletter? Just send Laura Montalvo an e-mail at lauramontalvo@ymail.com



COMING UP THIS WEEK – AUGUST 13th SRVRC HAPPY BIRTHDAY PARTY!! HAPPY HOUR AT 6:00, MEETING AT 7:00

Our Greeter will be Sharon Mace.

We have a special dinner planned with NO SEAFOOD. Many notable Rotarians will be visiting with us. If you have a guest, please notify James Frazier ASAP so special name badges can be made.



Strap on the Feedbag Y'all, We're Eatin Good!

WHAT'S ON THE MENU AT BLACKHAWK COUNTRY CLUB

August 13, 2014:

Special Secret Dinner with No Seafood. Happy Birthday to Us!

August 20, 2014: Summer Kale Salad; Stuffed Chicken Breast with Provolone, Pancetta & Green Onion; King Crab Cake, Lemon Grass Crab Bisque; Cannoli Cream Cake for dessert.

August 27, 2014: Stone Fruit Composed Salad; Dijon Rib Eye Steak and Wild White Prawns, Apple Pie a la Mode for dessert.

ROTARIANS AT WORK: Crosses at Lafavette

A very special shout out and thank you to our Club members who volunteered on Sunday, August 10th, to help clean up and maintain the Crosses at Lafayette, which is a memorial to honor our fallen Veterans in both the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts. I've said it before and I will say it again – ROTARIANS ROCK!



COMING ATTRACTIONS AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wednesday. August 13, 2014 – We will be celebrating our Club's 20th Anniversary. This is during a regular Club meeting and the Blackhawk Country Club has a wonderful dinner planned. No Host Bar will start at 6:00 p.m., dinner begins at 7:00 p.m. The cost of this event is \$30.00 per person, which includes a full meal with dessert, coffee and WINE! If you have not RSVP'd for this event, please do so as soon as possible to Laura Day at lauradayrotary@gmail.com or Dany Gregory at danygregory1@att.net.

Saturday, August 23, 2014 – Rotary Summer School! Come join the rest of the peeps at District 5160 for a fun and interactive Rotary Summer School, featuring our two most popular subjects: The Rotary Foundation and Membership Development. The day includes important breakout sessions designed to get you the information you need. Meet with your peers and hear the latest. Location is at the Solano College, 545 Columbus Parkway, Vallejo, CA Coffee will be served at 8:30 a.m., and the program runs from 9:00 to 12:45 p.m. E-mail will be going around with a link to sign-up and register.

Sunday. September 14, 2014, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – Our second annual Club picnic at The Ranch at Little Hills in San Ramon, located at 18013 Bollinger Canyon Road. Price per adult is \$27.50, kids ages 5 through 12 are \$25.00 each, and kids under 4 years of age are free. This will be a great family event with a pool and the food is fully catered. Please let us know if you're coming so we can get an accurate head-count.

October 17, 2014: In support of our fight against prescription drug abuse, our Club will be hosting a *Haunted House*_at the Grange in Danville, 743 Diablo Road. The theme is "Count on Me to Stay Drug Free," and we are asking members to dress in costume and help with various activities, which will include collecting any unused prescription drugs for disposal. More details to follow, sign-up sheets will be passed around and for questions, see Jessica Braverman.

October 31 to November 2, 2014: DISTRICT CONFERENCE IN RENO, NEVADA! Located at the Grand Sierra Resort. District Governor Pam Gray has issued an attendance challenge. For the clubs with the highest number and largest percentage of attendees, special recognition will be given at the conference. So far, 15 members of our club have registered and we are in contention for winning! Let's get some big numbers at this conference! If you would like to attend this amazing weekend, give a shout to Valerie Munoz as she is the registrar for the entire event.

DISTRICT 5160 PHOTO CONTEST 2014

TWO CONTESTS: CLUB PHOTO CONTEST AND RENO PHOTO CONTEST: For the Club Photo Contest, the deadline is October 27, 2014. Give the District your best three Club pictures of the most poignant, unusual or amazing story/people/things taken during the year with your Club (any avenue of service). Please include Club's name, photographer's name; avenue of service and description. Send pictures before Monday October 27th to Dany Gregory, District Photographer and Bill Randall, Chief Organizer – to photocontest@rotary5160.org.

For the Reno Photo Contest, give the District a photograph taken at the District Convention in Reno with the name, club and phone number. Bring your CD, SD, CF or USB to the Photo Contest Box at registration or email to photocontest@rotary5160.org. NO NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN. Wonderful cash prizes will be awarded to our Club, and a very special prize awarded to the photographer.

AUGUST IS ROTARY MEMBERSHIP MONTH



August is Membership Month at Rotary. Rotary International has challenged us to change our profile photo on Facebook to this image and/or to pass around this image to our friends on social media to show our Rotary pride. Laura Montalvo, your Club PR Director, would like to challenge each of our members to take it a step further. Before the end of August, take a picture of yourself on your cell phone (yep, a "selfie") and post it on our San Ramon Valley Rotary Facebook page, then caption it, "Proud Rotary Member Since _____." If you don't have a Facebook account and aren't sure how any of that works – no problem. Just text Laura your picture at (925) 437-2445 or e-mail it to her at lauramontalvo@ymail.com, and she will take care of the rest!